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MANY LIVES LOST.

Breaking of Ice in Austrian River is Causing Serious Floods.

(Associated Press.) Vienna, Jan. 7.—About a score of lives have been lost in Austria, as the result of floods caused by the breaking up of the ice in the rivers, due to rains and the melting of snow in consequence of unusually mild weather.

At Szolnok floating ice capsized a boat and eight persons were drowned. A washout wrecked a train at Passau. Two persons were killed and seven were injured.

Two boys while skating at Jaskau were drowned through the breaking of the ice. The rise in the Danube has been rapid. In South Bohemia the rivers have overflowed and threaten to flood Badweis and other towns.

PROFIT SHARING.

United States Steel Company Employees Subscribe For Sixteen Thousand Shares.

(Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 8.—Sixteen thousand of the 25,000 shares allotted by the United States Steel Company to its employees in its profit sharing plan, have already been subscribed for. J. Pierpont Morgan says he expects the remaining 9,000 shares to be subscribed within a few weeks.

The United States House committee on military affairs has concluded the preparations of the army appropriation bill, which carry appropriations of \$72,538,357, about \$5,000,000 less than the estimate. The appropriation last year was \$81,246,636.

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BOXER IN CUSTODY.

Arrested With Companion and Charged With Attempting to Pass "Bank of Engraving" Notes.

(Associated Press.) London, Jan. 8.—William J. Sullivan, the American boxer, better known as "Spike" Sullivan, and a companion named Charles Harris, were remanded at a police court to-day on the charge of attempting to pass "Bank of Engraving" notes. Sullivan denied all knowledge of the notes and said he had only met Harris casually at a railway station, while waiting a train which he intended to take for his training quarters.

CLEVELAND FIRE.

Part of the Y. M. C. A. Building Destroyed—Damage \$100,000.

(Associated Press.) Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 8.—Fire to-day partly destroyed the central building of the Y. M. C. A. at Prospect and Erie streets. The loss will aggregate \$100,000, partly insured.

There appears to be some reluctance on the part of municipal authorities in the French capital to countenance foreign control of the Paris and other gas works which an American syndicate is endeavoring to secure.

THE PREMIER BACK AT HIS OFFICE

CONGRATULATED ON RESTORATION TO HEALTH

Armenian Peddler Sentenced to Death For Murder—Lord Roberts's Gift to a Pensioner.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Lady Laurier arrived here last night. Sir Wilfrid was at his office early this morning and started work. A number of friends called on the Premier to congratulate him on his restoration to health. Sir Wilfrid left at noon to call on Lord Minto.

Imports Prohibited. Jamaica has passed an order against the importing of cattle from Canada to the United States, on account of foot and mouth disease in New England.

Sentenced to Death.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 8.—Siam Azubally, the Armenian peddler who killed Syam Lumbe, at Tenny, Cape mines, on October 28th, was found guilty of wilful murder last night at Windsor, and sentenced to be hanged on March 18th.

Remembered by "Bobs."

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Sergeant Patrick Clougherty, who fought in India with Lord Roberts, has received a letter enclosing £2 from the commander-in-chief as a Christmas gift. Clougherty has been on the pension list for 35 years.

Scottish Curlew.

Quebec, Jan. 8.—The Scottish curlew arrived here yesterday afternoon and had their first game in the evening with the Quebecers, with partial success. Two rinks played at the Quebec curling club and two others at the Victoria curling club. Quebec won on both rinks on the former rink by a score of 28 to 6 and 18 to 5. The Scotchmen were successful on the Victoria rink, where they were ten ahead of the Quebec players. This morning they are playing the Quebec ladies' club in a friendly match, and this afternoon play four matches. To-night they will be banqueted.

Winnipeg Clearings.

Winnipeg, Jan. 8.—The Winnipeg clearing house returns for the week ending January 8th, 1903, were: Clearings, \$5,739,314; balance not stated. For the corresponding week in 1902 the clearings were \$4,022,296, and in 1901, clearings, \$2,489,382.

Charged With Poisoning. Frederickton, Jan. 8.—York county grand jury has found a true bill against Mrs. Annie Marston, of Meductic, charged with poisoning her husband. The trial is fixed for January 27th.

BURGHERS' PROPOSALS.

Suggest General Amnesty and the Abolition of the South African Constabulary.

(Associated Press.) Pretoria, Transvaal, Jan. 8.—An influential meeting of burghers yesterday drafted an address for presentation to Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and the legislative council, embodying the views of the leaders.

Among the recommendations are general amnesty, the maintenance of the Transvaal's pre-war regulations regarding natives, the importation of cattle by the government and their sale to the burghers at actual cost, and the abolition of the South African constabulary. General Botha, Dewet and Delarey strongly urge the necessity for a moderate attitude and organization to assist the present government.

General Botha reported that \$525,000 had been collected in America and Europe for the relief of destitute Boers.

COAL ADVANCING.

Some Anthracite Sold in New York for \$12.50 a Ton.

(Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 8.—The price of coal has been advanced to \$9.50 as a minimum, and some anthracite has been sold as high as \$12.50. A number of large dealers have consulted over the situation, and it is probable that a meeting will be held to-day to promulgate a schedule of retail prices. The independent operators met in this city and agreed not to sell coal at less than \$10 a ton to the dealers. The coal roads, it was said by some of the officials, would continue to sell at \$5 a ton.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Young Man Killed Former Employer's Daughter and Shot Himself.

(Associated Press.) Mount Vernon, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Albert King, 25 years old, to-day entered the home of John Finlay, his former employer, and slashed the throat of Mr. Finlay's four-year-old daughter, Helen Marian, with a razor, nearly severing the head from the body. The child died instantly. King then went into an adjoining room and killed himself with a revolver. The only person in the house at the time was a nurse with whom King was in love, and who had rejected his advances.

KILLED BY ROBBERS.

Saloon Keeper Shot While Defending His Property—Ex-Policeman in Custody.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Jan. 8.—A gang of robbers created much excitement in the western part of the city last night. One of them was captured during a robbery of a saloon, and later three of his companions, who had escaped, robbed another saloon and killed the proprietor.

The first robbery was in the saloon of Robert Koehler, 1339 West 22nd street. Four men compelled the proprietor and several men who were in the place to remain quiet while they robbed the cash register. A small boy gave the alarm, and two policemen hurried to the place. The robbers fled, and in the chase, Sergeant Rose captured Edward Fitzgerald, an ex-policeman, who was one of the robbers. The companions of Fitzgerald attempted to kill Sergeant Rose, but he held Fitzgerald in front of him, and the prisoner was twice hit by the bullets of his friends, who were firing at the officer.

Two hours after the robbery of the Koehler saloon, three men, supposed to be the same as those that had figured in the first robbery, entered the saloon of Anton Dufek, at 327 California avenue, and attempted to rob the place. The proprietor showed fight, and was shot and instantly killed by one of the robbers. All three of the men escaped.

PLAGUE IN NEW MEXICO.

Soldiers Ordered to Shoot Anyone Trying to Cross Line Between Sonora and Sinaloa.

(Associated Press.) Tucson, Ariz., Jan. 8.—Information to the Star from the office of the secretary of state of Hermosillo concerning the plague situation is as follows:

"The strictest quarantine is maintained at Guaymas against Mazatlan. A column of soldiers has been established from Mazatlan on the boundary line between the states of Sonora and Sinaloa, and the soldiers being stationed within sight of each other along the entire distance, with instructions to shoot anyone endeavoring to pass the line."

"The strictest kind of patrol is kept along the coast. No passports are issued to ships to clear from Guaymas, and no ships are allowed to enter from any point. Guaymas is depending entirely upon her own resources for subsistence. The most thorough system of fumigation and sanitary regulations has been adopted."

TAKES AMBASSADOR'S PLACE.

Baron Von Stenberg Sent to Washington During Minister's Absence.

(Associated Press.) Berlin, Jan. 8.—Baron Von Stenberg, the German consul-general at Calcutta, was appointed charge d'affaires at Washington during the absence of the German ambassador, Dr. Von Holleben, Chancellor Von Bülow regarding the business at Washington so important at present as to require a special substitute for the ambassador. The inference naturally follows that Baron Von Stenberg will succeed Dr. Von Holleben as ambassador, if the latter's health prevents his return.

Baron Herman Speck Von Stenberg was formerly secretary of the German embassy at Washington. He was one of the German commissioners at the Samoan conference, and was conspicuous in the negotiations following the outbreak of trouble in China. His wife was Miss Lamm, the daughter of a wealthy mine owner of Idaho.

FIGHTS WITH POLICE.

The Strike of Carmen in Barcelona Has Resulted in Serious Disturbances.

(Associated Press.) Barcelona, Spain, Jan. 8.—The carmen strike for higher wages is resulting in serious collisions with the police. Revolvers were used in the street yesterday. The strikers threw petrol bombs on the premises of the Northern railway road, with the intention of setting fire to them, while hidden bombs were discovered near the city, leading to the belief that dynamiting was contemplated. The police have been largely reinforced, and the civil guard has been in readiness for action.

MINISTER ILL.

No Improvement in Condition of G. Greville, British Representative in Mexico.

(Associated Press.) Laredo, Texas, Jan. 8.—A Mexico City special says: "There is no improvement in the health of Mr. Geo. Greville, the British minister to Mexico, and it is reported that he has asked to be recalled, as the climate of this country does not agree with him."

CHARLES M. SCHWAB

Will Shortly Resume Duties as Head of the Steel Combination.

(Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 8.—Joseph E. Schwab, who returned recently from a visit abroad, announces that his brother, Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation, has finally recovered from his recent ill-health and that he intends to return to the United States early in March and resume his duties as head of the big steel combination.

Foxley Parish in Norfolk, Eng., has had but one change of curate in 110 years. Canon Norgate, the present rector, was appointed in 1840; his predecessor had held the living since 1792.

VICTORIAN SAID TO BE PURCHASED

BY TERMINAL COMPANY FOR FERRY PURPOSES

Many Reports as to What Will Be Done—Officials Expected to Return To-day.

It is understood the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company has acquired the steamer Victorian from Messrs. Dodwell & Co. for service between the Island terminals of its line and the Mainland. The steamer has been lying idle at Tacoma ever since she was removed from the northern run by her owners, and has been under the eye of the railway people for some time past. The deal has been carried through on behalf of the company by John Hendry, president, A. E. Woods, vice-president, and Thornton Fell, solicitors, who, with H. McGuire, engineer of the steamer Strathcona, and formerly of the tug Lorne, are now in the City of Destiny.

J. A. Thomson, inspector of boilers, and Capt. Collier, inspector of hulls, looked over the vessel last week, while she has also been examined by the company's engineers. As the officials of the company directly concerned are not expected until this afternoon it is impossible to learn just what their intentions are. It was said, however, that the large barge Washington built by the Hale & Kern Company, of Portland, will be secured at a cost approximating \$30,000, and equipped with the Victorian's machinery to be used as a combined passenger and freight ferry in pursuance of the terms of the original contract. In this event it will not be necessary for the company to ask the ratepayers for an extension of time as the Washington would likely be ready for operation by the expiration of the time specified in the by-law.

Again it is stated that the company has abandoned this idea, and will alter the Victorian so as to adapt her for the purposes named in the by-law ratified by the people in 1900. This, it is said, will be done by sponsoring the steamer at the bow so as to permit cars being taken aboard there instead of at the stern, and stripping off part of the forward cabin. The clause in the by-law originally passed provided that the vessel to be operated shall have accommodation for four hundred passengers and eight loaded freight cars of thirty thousand pounds capacity each, and shall have a uniform speed of not less than fourteen knots.

In regard to the deal for the barge, in reply to a query by a Times representative this afternoon J. H. Greer, the local ship broker, said that he was still in negotiation with the company in regard to the matter, but so far no action had been taken.

The steamer Victorian is well known in the city, having succeeded the City of Kingston on the Sound route. She was built at Portland for the Oregon Railway & Navigation Co., in 1891, by Capt. James W. Troup, the present manager of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co. She made one excursion trip on the Columbia and then Capt. Troup brought her to Victoria and Puget Sound, and she was placed on this route.

She was in charge of Capt. Anderson, afterwards sent back to the Columbia. After the loss of the City of Kingston, which was sunk by the liner Glenogle, after some unsatisfactory service with the George E. Starr and North Pacific, the Doiwells placed the steamer Victorian on the Puget Sound-Victoria route again, and later she was again withdrawn and placed in the Alaskan trade, in which she was engaged until a year ago, when she was retired and has since been tied up at Tacoma. She is 243 feet long, 30 feet beam, and 15 feet hold.

President Hendry and party are expected on the majestic steamer this afternoon.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

Washington's new public library, a handsome white marble structure located on Mount Vernon square, donated by Andrew Carnegie, was dedicated Wednesday with impressive ceremonies. The admission of Argentine cattle into the United Kingdom is awaiting only the drawing up of the regulations and their promulgation in the Official Gazette.

The Paris Temps correspondent of Constantinople telegraphs that representatives of the Manners have signed a contract providing for the delivery to the Ottoman army of 200,000 rifles. The New York Board of Trade has adopted a resolution declaring that the interests of the state and the city of New York require the construction of a thousand-ton barge canal between Buffalo and the Hudson river at the earliest date. The legislature is urged to submit the question to the people at the general election next November. Another resolution recommends that the Champlain canal be enlarged.

Steps were taken at the annual meeting of the Western railway executive in all commodity rates, it was not determined, however, how large the advance will be. For this depends largely upon suggestions from the general freight agents.

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

Cheap Rates to Be Given From Eastern Canada to Victoria.

The annual convention of the W. C. T. U. will be held here early in June. This means a great deal to this city, as four hundred delegates will probably spend over a week here during the summer.

Since last September the Tourist Association has had the matter of arranging cheap rates from Eastern Canada under consideration. The C. P. R. officials have been communicated with, and for a time indications were that although cheap rates would be allowed as far as Vancouver for the benefit of those attending the General Assembly by the Presbyterian church about the same date as the W. C. T. U. convention here, these tickets would not be good to Victoria.

R. J. Coyle, general passenger agent of the C. P. R., was written to by Herbert Outhbert, secretary of the Tourist Association, and the conditions of affairs clearly outlined. The result has been that Mr. Outhbert yesterday received a letter assuring the association that the cheap rate given for the Presbyterian convention would be good through to Victoria.

This news has caused the greatest satisfaction not only to members of the local branch of the W. C. T. U. who have been desirous of having the matter definitely settled so that preparations for the reception of the delegates might go forward, but also to Presbyterians and all citizens.

This will make the second convention which has been definitely promised Victoria for this summer. Shortly after the W. C. T. U. convention the Washington Press Association will meet here, and there is every probability that the mining engineers of the United States will hold their annual gathering in this city. The matter of holding the W. C. T. U. convention here was first discussed at a meeting of the Tourist Association held on September the 29th of last year, when the following resolution was unanimously passed:

In view of the recent decision of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church of Canada to meet in Vancouver in June, and the intention of the W. C. T. U. of Canada to meet about the same time, have asked the ladies of the latter society to make a special effort to use their influence in procuring cheaper rates than have so far been offered to Victoria, it is hereby resolved that this association pledge itself to use every influence to secure from railway companies the concessions asked for, and that a hearty invitation be extended to members of both these organizations to visit our city, assuring them our co-operation in making their visit a pleasant one.

VICTORIANS OFFERED

CAPTAINCY OF TEAM

Either Scholefield or Gillespie Could Have Had It—A Change in Positions.

A letter has been received from Ken Scholefield, the speedy Victoria player who is distinguishing himself on the All-Canadian football team in their tour of the United States, in which he says in part:

"The team is a good one and I think we shall all pull together. I am going to play half with Gillespie next game. He has had to play the best game so far, and has put up the best game I have ever seen him play. I was rather lost at three quarters playing with two men who knew absolutely nothing about our game, although good players, and will make cracking good three quarters when called. We were to have played at Liverpool on Wednesday, but the ground was frozen, so we will go straight to Belfast and try and get a little condition for the 13th. Both Gillespie and I have been offered the captaincy of the team, but most politely refused. It is a little too much of a responsibility for me. We have got a very good team, at least the making of one, but the men do not know the English game very well at present. I do not think we shall have much trouble in getting into shape."

"A letter came on board from the North of Ireland secretary, and they have certainly a most elaborate programme made out for us, luncheons, etc., galore."

"The Belfast chaps gave us a simply ripping time, and it seems as if the Dublin are going to repeat the dose. I certainly shall not be sorry to leave Ireland. They are too good to us and won't leave us alone for a minute."

PERSONAL.

The London Free Press says: "Hon. J. H. Ross, M. P. for the Yukon district, who is visiting his three little daughters in this city and other relatives at present, purposes, after New Year's, going to New Orleans to continue the fight against the yellow fever, which is absolutely notifiable for him. In New Orleans he will stop with a sister, who is a resident of that city. While recovered to a degree that is a source of great satisfaction to his many friends, Mr. Ross is still far from being a well man. The doctors agree, however, that he will completely regain a state of normal health, and he is in excellent spirits. Mr. Ross is naturally pleased with the campaign and its result made for him in his absence by his Yukon friends. 'What pleases me most of all,' he said, 'is the fact that of the scores of Yukon voters who know me in the Northwest I do not know a single one who voted against me. And of a number who had come out for the winter I know of only one who would have voted against me.'"

CASE WILL BE HEARD AT ASSIZES

KIRCHHEIMER ELECTS TRIAL BY JURY

Turner vs. Cowan Being Argued To-day—The Tenders For Business of Nelson Tribune.

The Full court reserved judgment on the appeal in Nightingale vs. Union Colliery Co., arguments of which was completed yesterday afternoon.

The second appeal, Turner vs. Cowan, a case relating to company shares, is being argued to-day. S. S. Taylor, K. C. (Nelson), is counsel for appellants, R. P. Davis, K. C., and J. M. Scott (Revelstoke), for respondents.

The next cases in order are: 3. O'Brien vs. Mackintosh, 4. Star Mining Co. vs. Byron White Co., 5. Tanaka vs. Russell, 6. McClary vs. Howland. Chambers.

As stated in Tuesday's Times the tender of F. J. Deane for the purchase of the business of the Nelson Tribune, which is in process of liquidation, was directed by the court to be accepted, mainly on the ground that the majority of the company's creditors were in favor of this tender in preference to that of John Houston, M. P. P. Mr. Houston, however, isn't satisfied, and this morning applied to Mr. Justice Martin in Chambers to have the matter reopened, and new tenders called for. H. B. Robertson, who appeared for Houston, read affidavits of C. M. Berkeley, a clerk in Eberts & Taylor's office, which alleged that the majority of creditors did not favor Deane. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., for Deane; J. H. Lawson, Jr., for the liquidator, and W. C. Moreby, for the creditors, strongly opposed Houston's move, and Mr. Lawson obtained leave to cross-examine Berkeley on his affidavits. His Lordship stated that unless Houston could put in evidence by Saturday next, showing the majority of creditors to be not in favor of Deane, he would dismiss the application.

The other matters disposed of in Chambers were as follows:

Northern Counties vs. King et al. Leave to proceed with accounts granted. R. H. Pooley for plaintiffs.

Re W. A. Jamieson estate. Order appointing an auditor and discharging trustee granted. H. D. Twigg (Eberts & Taylor) for trustee.

Re C. R. Robson, deceased. The application by deceased's sister for letters of administration was dismissed with costs, deceased's widow, hereafter the purpose of taking administration. W. C. Moreby, for applicant; F. B. Gregory, contra.

Re estate of Noel LeClerc. Letters of administration with will annexed granted to E. M. Johnson.

Kirchheimer Elects.

G. Kirchheimer, committed for trial on the charge of being in possession of goods stolen from Turner, Beeton & Co., for the stealing of which Walter Lorimer was on Monday sentenced to twenty months imprisonment, came up for election before Mr. Justice Drake this morning. The Deputy Attorney-General appeared for the crown, and J. P. Walls for the prisoner. The latter stated that Kirchheimer elected to be tried before a judge and jury, and he will therefore stand trial at the Assizes in May. Mr. Walls applied for release of the prisoner on bail. To this Mr. McLean agreed, but a bond of \$3,000 in value had been traced to or through Kirchheimer's hands, the amount ought to be a substantial one. His Lordship granted an order for release on bail to the amount of \$3,000 being put up, with three sureties in the amount of \$1,000 if desired.

EXCITING ENCOUNTERS.

Japanese Sealers Captured by Russian Schooner Sunk by Russian Guns.

News was received by the R. M. S. Empress of Japan this morning of a fight between Japanese sealers and Russians. The Yokohama Advertiser says: "Word has just come, by a roundabout way, of startling happenings that fell to the lot of the crew of the Japanese schooner Chitose Maru, of Hakodate, in April last."

"Cruising northward through the Japan sea, she drifted into a smug port south of Hokkaido. The master was putting in to replenish his stock of water, but suddenly realizing that it was a Russian port, he tried to put about again. The wind had dropped, however, and his vessel drifted into the bay with the landward currents. Whether this curious conduct excited suspicion ashore or not, cannot be said, but some Russian gunboats promptly raised the boats. They snuggled up to him to surround him as they intended to sink his vessel as a seal poacher. The Chitose's commander didn't see it in that light, and as the boats still came on, he loaded his bomb gun with buck shot and opened fire on the Russians. In reply his assailants promptly raised the schooner with a small-arm volley. Then the sealers clipped in with their sealing guns, and a brisk fight ensued. Three Japanese were killed before the Russians managed to board the schooner. This happened a short distance south of Vladivostok, and the crew of the Seifu Maru, another schooner now on her way to Yokohama from Victoria, promptly raised the survivors were in the Russian prison at Vladivostok still."

"The Russian cruiser Yakutsk reported having sunk a Japanese schooner which he discovered poaching off the Copper Islands. The Seifu sealers say this must have been either the Alvo Maru or the Junta Maru, both of which are missing."

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THREE LIBERALS WERE RETURNED

IN BY-ELECTION HELD IN ONTARIO

Snowstorm in the East—Bank of Montreal to Increase Capital Stock.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—The Liberals carried all three seats at the by-elections today. The results were:

North Norfolk—Little (Liberal) defeated Spiller (Conservative) by 55.
North Perth—Brown (Liberal) defeated Monteth (Conservative) by 172, with two places to hear from.
North Grey—McKay (Liberal) defeated Boyd (Conservative) by 236, with one place to hear from.

Snowstorm.
The snowstorm which the observatory reports originated near Saskatchewan, and which is moving southeast, and covered Michigan last night, is prevailing here and promises to be general throughout Ontario and Quebec. High winds prevail, but there is no severe cold.

North Ontario Vacancy.
Beaverton, Ont., Jan. 7.—The Conservative convention in North Ontario met here today to select a candidate to succeed the late Angus McLeod. The nomination was unanimously extended to Hon. George E. Foster.

Bank's Capital Stock.
Montreal, Jan. 7.—The directors of the Bank of Montreal at a meeting today decided to increase the capital stock from \$12,000,000 to \$14,000,000. The bank will apply to parliament for power to divide shares at par value of \$100 instead of \$200, as at present. Stock will be issued to shareholders in the proportion of one to six at \$340 per share. The market value today was \$340. The par value of the shares is \$200.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

Britain and Japan Advise China to Reject Russian's Proposal.
Peking, Jan. 7.—The Russian customs negotiations are continuing. The British and Japanese representatives have advised the Chinese to reject the proposals, and the Chinese say they will do so. The Russian representative suggested modifications of the original scheme, with the object of securing Chinese ability to resist the Russian pressure in this connection is doubtful.

WRECKAGE ON FIRE.

Passengers Injured in Collision Were Burned to Death.
Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 7.—As a result of a collision between a passenger train and the rear end of a freight train on the Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania railway to-night at Cochrane station, seven men are dead, one is dying and five others are injured. The passenger train in the wreck was the West Elizabeth accommodation, which left Pittsburg at 3.30 p.m. It was on time and had a clear track, according to the signals displayed. At the siding at Cochrane it ran into the rear car of an extra freight, which had taken the switch, but failed to clear the main line. The officials of the road attribute the disaster to the failure of Patrick Quinn, the rear brakeman of the freight, to see that his train had fully cleared. Up to 11 p.m. Quinn had not been located. When the passenger train came along the caboose of the freight overlapped the main track enough to catch the tender of the passenger engine, which was forced back upon the combination baggage and smoker with terrific force. The thirteen passengers were jammed against the rear end of the car into a solid mass. Three of the victims were killed outright, two of the other four were literally roasted to death and the two who died on the way to the hospital were so badly burned that recognition was impossible. Almost

REPLY TO CASTRO.

Report That Notes of Powers Have Created Feeling of Depression.

Caracas, Jan. 7.—The answer of the powers to President Castro's last proposal relative to arbitration was delivered to President Castro this afternoon by United States Minister Bowen. A meeting of the cabinet was at once called to consider these communications. It has been learned from an authoritative source that the answers of the powers delivered by Mr. Bowen this afternoon have created a feeling of depression in Venezuela. All sorts of rumors are current in Caracas to-night concerning President Castro's answer to the communications, but none of them are reliable.

Infringed Permits.

La Guayra, Venezuela, Jan. 7.—Fishing smacks were not allowed to leave this port yesterday evening owing to the fact that some of them had infringed their blockade permits by communicating with and purchasing goods from a ship which had contraband of war on board.

Admiral's Tour.

Kingston, St. Vincent, Jan. 7.—Vice-Admiral Douglas, commander of the British naval forces in West Indian waters, left Port of Spain, Trinidad, today on board the flagship Ariadne, to inspect and provision the ships under his command which are blockading Venezuelan ports.

Germany's Attitude.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—That portion of the joint reply of the powers to Venezuela suggesting a settlement without arbitration, only goes so far as to offer to treat for a settlement out of court after the payment of cash or the giving out of a sufficient guarantee for the payment of \$250,000 to each power. This reservation remains as the fixed and only condition precedent to arbitration or negotiations direct for a supplementary agreement. The German government would much prefer to close up the matter by negotiations through Minister Bowen while the blockade continues, than to withdraw the blockade and adjust the claims through The Hague arbitration court.

The number of vessels that entered Prussian harbors in 1901 was 76,157.



A WOMAN'S THROAT

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ERIE RAILWAY DIRECTORS.

Some Changes Announced at Meeting in New York.

New York, Jan. 7.—The directors of the Erie Railway Company met today and accepted the resignation of E. B. Thomas as chairman of the board of directors, effective February 1st, and the resignation of J. Middleton, secretary and second vice-president. Mr. Thomas, who is now executive head of the Lehigh Valley road, has selected Mr. Middleton as his assistant. Mr. Thomas remains in the Erie directorate. The regular semi-annual 1 1/2 per cent. dividend on Erie first preferred was declared. The office of chairman of the board was abolished and President Middleton will assume the duties of that position. Norton B. Ream, of Chicago, takes Mr. Thomas's place in the executive committee. G. A. Richardson was elected assistant to the president, and L. D. Smith, resigned as assistant secretary and David Rosman was elected to take his place.

SALARY OF JUDGES.

The Law Society Adopts a Resolution in Favor of Increase.

The Law Society has taken action in the matter of obtaining recognition of the importance of proper remuneration for members of the judiciary. This matter was brought before the legislature in a resolution passed by the local House some three years ago. And the Law Society is now making a further effort to secure fair treatment for the judiciary, as the following resolution, which was passed at a special meeting of the benchers, shows:

Whereas the province of British Columbia has very greatly increased in population during the last decade, and there has been a corresponding increase in the volume of litigation, though there has been no increase in the number (five) of the judges of the supreme court of this province, who all exercise appellate as well as original jurisdiction;

And whereas, owing to the peculiar conditions of the country and the amount of capital required to develop the mining and other industries thereof, the weight of litigation is exceptionally heavy and proportionately far exceeds that of the other provinces of Canada, in illustration of which may be cited the fact that the last (October) sittings of the Supreme court at Ottawa ten appeals coming from British Columbia were heard out of a total of thirty-nine appeals exclusive of three election petitions inscribed for hearing from the whole continent;

And whereas, though the cost of living in British Columbia is at least one-third greater than in the other provinces, the judges of Ontario and Quebec, who occupy positions corresponding to those of the judges of this province, receive one thousand dollars per annum more than the said judges of this province;

And whereas the principle of an increase of salary as fair compensation for an increase in the cost of living has already been recognized by the Dominion government in the case of the three judges of the Territorial court of the Yukon Territory by making each of them an extra allowance of five thousand dollars per annum;

And whereas, in addition to making such extra allowance to the Yukon judges in their salaries (formerly four thousand dollars) the Dominion government has paid to the judges of the Supreme court of this province, were last year increased by making each of them an extra allowance of five thousand dollars per annum;

And whereas the legislature of British Columbia has by resolution unanimously passed on the 27th of August, 1902, a declaration that it is unfair that the judges of British Columbia should be placed in a worse position as regards salary than judges occupying corresponding positions in other parts of Canada;

It is therefore resolved, That it is in the interest of the public that the salaries of the judges of British Columbia should be placed upon a proper basis;

And that in the opinion of this society the judges of British Columbia should receive at least seven thousand five hundred dollars per annum, and the chief justice one thousand dollars in addition;

And be it further resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable the Minister of Justice, and to the Honorable the Attorney-General of British Columbia, and to each of the representatives of the province in the Senate and House of Commons of Canada.

WILL MEET HERE.

An Important Session of Atlin Mine Owners' Association to Be Held in Victoria.

A dispatch from Atlin says: The Atlin Mine Operators' Association will hold an important meeting at Victoria on January 15th. This meeting was called originally for January 8th, but because it was not safe to cross Atlin lake it was postponed for one week.

The Atlin contingent left last Friday, the following men making the trip: D. D. McArthur, secretary of the association; J. M. Rucker, who represents large quartz interests; Mr. Fall, representing the Boulder Creek Hydraulic Company; J. F. Deane, representing the Eastern lease on Pine Creek.

H. W. E. Canavan left Atlin on Christmas Day, and is now in Victoria. He will represent the interests of the British-American Logging Company, operating on lower Pine Creek. Charles D. Newton will represent the upper Boulder creek leases.

Results from 'common soaps': eczema, coarse hands, ragged clothes, shrunken flannels.



SUNLIGHT SOAP REDUCES EXPENSE

"CAPTAIN JINKS OF THE HORSE MARINES"

Clyde Fitch's Play Will Be Performed Here To-morrow—Bostonsians in Trouble—Injunction Issued.

Clyde Fitch's play, "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines," with Elizabeth Kennedy at the head of the cast, will be seen here to-morrow evening at the Victoria theatre.

A series of pictures of an interesting period in American social life of 30 years ago. Many odd characters are introduced and there is plenty of wit of the typical Fitch order. The theme of the play, that of the love of a young New Yorker for an operatic prima donna, is treated wittily, albeit sympathetically. The progress of the romance is interspersed with a great number of diverting episodes after the true Fitch manner. In the first act there is a scene in which Mme. Trenton punishes the presumption of her uninvited visitors by shutting her vulgar chaperone off on them in her place as their guest at a croquet party, and by making them exiles her dogs; and another which satirizes none too severely the barbarian manners of the custom house inspectors; a third in which Captain Jinks is arrested for an attempted bribery of that incorruptible official, and a fourth in which the diva is visited by two members of the Woman's Anti-Vice Association, who beg her to make her operatic debut in oratorio or even in "Faust" rather than in the soul-destroying "Traviata"—a really delicious bit of satire.

In the second act there are other scenes of pure entertainment of the same kind. One is an interview between Trenton and Captain Jinks's mother, somewhat in the order of the celebrated one between Camille and the father of Amanda; and another a rehearsal of what seems, to those who have never witnessed such a function in real life, a too-comic ballet. In the third act there are a scene with the ballet, a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the fourth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the fifth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the sixth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the seventh act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the eighth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the ninth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the tenth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the eleventh act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the twelfth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the thirteenth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the fourteenth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

And in the fifteenth act there are a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra, and a scene with the orchestra.

WORKMEN AND EMPEROR.

Declare Telegram Sent to the Kaiser Was Designed to Deceive Him.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—The employees of the Vulkan works at Stettin have sent Emperor William, according to a press dispatch, the following telegram:

"The assembled workmen of the Vulkan works declare that they disapprove of collecting signatures to an address supporting the emperor's attitude in the Krupp affair, and disagree with the contents of the telegram sent. They declare, on the other hand, that the telegram was a concoction designed to deceive His Majesty regarding the true and honest sentiments of the working classes. The signers were induced by direct or indirect compulsion to sign this telegram. They deem it irreconcilable with their manly honor as workmen to deceive His Majesty concerning the true sentiments, and declare they signed only through fear of pecuniary damage."

A resolution embodying the foregoing was adopted at a stormy meeting. The address complained of was an endorsement of the Emperor's two speeches to workmen directed against the late Herr Krupp's assaults.

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THE FAKED TELEGRAMS.

We really think the gentlemen who are
opposing Mayor Hayward are carrying
the fight too far into Africa—or perhaps
we should say into Australia and round
the world. It is true His Worship has
gathered a number of prominent and dis-
tinguished gentlemen together on the
occasion of the completion of the Pacific
cable, furnished them with texts, in
the form of telegrams, for eloquent
discourses on the glories of the Empire
generally and the enterprise of the
colonies in particular. Those dispatches
were popularly supposed to have passed
over the new route, and the truth was
not discovered until a bill for a sum in
the neighborhood of a hundred dollars
was presented by the C. P. R. Telegraph
Company, "through the courtesy of Mr.
Christie," the manager. That is to say,
the telegrams were faked, and as they
were faked there must have been a
fakery. The truth of these propositions
being established, it follows as a natural
sequence that the orators were gathered
together on false pretences and were,
to put the matter bluntly, made fools
of. But this poor old world would be a
dull place to live in if its inhabitants
were not given a trifle of license occa-
sionally, the imagination permitted to
run riot and the sense of the humorous
allowed free course. The defence of
His Worship will be, if he takes the
trouble to defend himself, that it was
necessary for Victoria to let the world
know that she was still in the ring—not
the cable ring, but in the arena as one
of the important places of the Pacific
Coast. As an honest proposition it is
well to be honest, sincere and truthful
in deed as well as in word, but if Mayors
and cities desire to maintain their posi-
tions it may sometimes be necessary to
resort to stratagem. His Worship is an
expert in tactics, and all his resources
have been called into play, during the
last year particularly, for the purpose
of convincing the ratepayers of Victoria
that it is essential he should be given a
fourth term. The matter of the faked
telegrams is but an incident in the cam-
paign of fraud and deceit.

HOPE FOR A DERELICT.

After sulking in his tent for a couple
of years because he was not selected as
leader of the Conservative party, there
is a strong probability that Hon. George
E. Foster will again attempt to gain a
seat in Parliament. He has been offered
a nomination by the Conservatives of
North Ontario in succession to Angus
McLeod, who died in Vancouver while
on a business trip to the coast. Mr.
Foster should carry that seat, as it is
a recognized Conservative stronghold.
But it is hard to say. The Conservative
financial juggler appears to be a per-
petual source of weakness in a
constituency. His "moments of politi-
cal weakness" have become chronic.
He first represented King's, N. B., in
the House of Commons. He was driven
there and made a stand for a season
in York, in the same province. The
situation became too warm for him

there, and he went up against and out-
before Mr. Blair in St. John. But there
must surely be an end to tribulation.
Possibly Mr. Foster has at last reached
a haven of rest. It is particularly
noticeable that his former colleagues are
not pressing his claims to a seat with
enthusiasm. That may be attributed to
the selfishness of human nature. Mr.
Foster is not a man to inspire either love
or confidence. His cold, calculating,
sneering austerity, coupled with his il-
l-concealed contempt for his brothers in
affliction, has created a feeling of dislike
which cannot be overcome. Neverthe-
less, if he were in Parliament with the
Conservatives in the majority, his claim
to a portfolio could not be contested.
Perhaps the men who consider them-
selves leaders think there would not be
enough portfolios to go round, and there-
fore they would prefer to see Mr. Foster
remain in permanent retirement. But let
ambitious Tories set their minds at
rest. There will be no portfolios for
Mr. Foster to give out for a few years.
Mr. Foster will have ample time to run
himself out in Northern Ontario before
such a misfortune overtakes Canada.

A CRUEL BLOW.

Yesterday was a sad, sad day for the
Conservative opposition in Ontario. After
wandering for upwards of thirty years in
the wilderness, leaving many leaders
buried by the wayside, the present chief
of the party was carried in spirit, after
a very close general election, into a high
mountain and obtained a glimpse of the
fair land of power and plenty. Mr.
Whitney, we believe, affected a hopefulness
he was far from feeling in his heart.
He probably had misgivings that when the
side issues had been removed, the
confidence of the electors would return
to the party which has administered the
affairs of the province for such an un-
precedented length of time in a business-
like manner, and without leaving an
opening for a single substantial charge
against the integrity of the various ad-
ministrations. It is true there have been
vehement allegations of corruption. It
is also true that supporters of the govern-
ment in the heat of conflict have been
guilty of acts which have been deplored
by all who hold sacred popular institu-
tions. Such lapses have grieved the
hearts of all thoughtful and right-minded
men. The government of Ontario has in-
dicated its attitude towards offenders by
the passage of laws covering the of-
fences. And it has enforced the laws
and punished wrong-doers. Is there on
record an instance of a Conservative gov-
ernment proceeding against its friends on
account of an unlawful act perpetrated
on its behalf? We have yet to hear of it.
On the contrary, the most flagrant
instances of corruption and actual crimina-
lity have been defended on the floor
of the House of Commons and condoned
by the votes of a partisan majority.
Seats have been boldly stolen by the
acts of returning-officers and candidates
receiving a minority of the votes have
been seated in Parliament. Far be it
from us to suggest that the wrong-doing
of Conservatives is any palliation of
evil wrought by Liberals. All we claim
is that in the one case an honest effort
has been made to preserve the sanctity
of free institutions; in the other the
dominant idea has been to attain or retain
power in defiance of the popular will.
The adherents of Toryism have not been
so much to blame for this as their lead-
ers. They simply followed the example
of the men who sold the Canadian Pacific
charter for hoolie with which to cor-
rupt the constituencies and who later in-
troduced and forced through the House
the infamous Gerry-mander Act—and
which, by the way, will be repealed at
the coming session of Parliament and
a new measure, fair to both parties, in-
troduced in its stead. And yet, in face
of the records, a tremendous howl has
arisen from the Conservative press of
Ontario about corruption. This cry has
been echoed in some of the newspapers
of British Columbia. If the editors were
as familiar with the political history of
Canada as they ought to be they would
refrain. Perhaps they have forgotten
that Colonel Prior was driven from the
Dominion Parliament because of corrupt
acts and that Mr. Earle might have been
treated in the same manner but for
reasons into which we do not desire to
enter. And we would not like to wrong
the Colonel by saying there was any dif-
ference in degree between his wrong-do-
ing in the last instance and the inquiry
into his acts on the other occasions,
in which he had appeared before
the people. The fact appears to be
that the general policy of the Domi-
nion or the Ontario governments cannot
be successfully attacked, so the opposition
in both cases confine themselves to
general charges of corruption.
The incongruity of the situation
will be at once understood when we
point out that two of the three consti-
tuencies in which elections were held yes-
terday were opened by the courts on ac-
count of the corrupt acts of Conserva-
tives.

Nor will the severity of the blow be
felt alone by the Conservative opposition
in Ontario. Mr. Whitney is eager for
office, but not more eager than his broth-
ers in affliction who annually assemble
at Ottawa. They all felt that if a Tory
government were in power at Toronto
the great province of Ontario might be
turned into a strong tower from which
the next Dominion campaign might be
conducted. That was Sir Charles Tupper's
original plan of campaign—to cap-
ture the outposts first, and the rest
would be easy. But the outposts have
so far refused to capitulate. There
never was more than a mere glimmer of
hope of capturing Ontario. That ray
has been entirely shut out by the by-
elections held yesterday. The Ross gov-
ernment is now assured of a sufficient
working majority. The opposition of
Mr. Whitney will collapse as has been
its habit in the past.

Our neighbors in the state of Wash-
ington have recently been moving in the
matter of better government for their
cities. They have begun by appointing
a joint commission from Seattle, Ta-
coma and Spokane to consider and re-
commend to the state legislature the en-
actment of certain measures applicable
to cities of the first class. The follow-
ing will be commended to the legisla-
ture for enactment:

An act relieving cities and towns from
liability for death or damage to persons
or property upon streets, alleys or other
public places which have not been im-
proved and opened to public travel; an
act authorizing cities of the first class to
assess for local improvement, lands be-
longing to the state, counties and school
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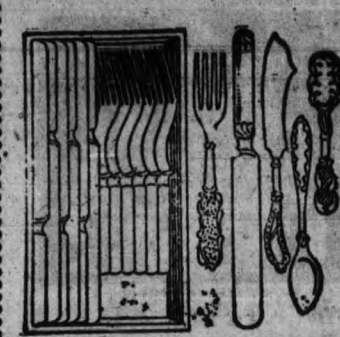
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I submit to you, Mr. Editor, that when

Gifts For New Year, 1903



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FOX'S, 78 GOV'T ST.

per's original plan of campaign—to cap-
ture the outposts first, and the rest
would be easy. But the outposts have
so far refused to capitulate. There
never was more than a mere glimmer of
hope of capturing Ontario. That ray
has been entirely shut out by the by-
elections held yesterday. The Ross gov-
ernment is now assured of a sufficient
working majority. The opposition of
Mr. Whitney will collapse as has been
its habit in the past.

Our neighbors in the state of Wash-
ington have recently been moving in the
matter of better government for their
cities. They have begun by appointing
a joint commission from Seattle, Ta-
coma and Spokane to consider and re-
commend to the state legislature the en-
actment of certain measures applicable
to cities of the first class. The follow-
ing will be commended to the legisla-
ture for enactment:

An act relieving cities and towns from
liability for death or damage to persons
or property upon streets, alleys or other
public places which have not been im-
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a pupil enters the High school he or
she should have a definite object
view, and the education received should
not be the general—though neces-
sary—tuition of the public school, but
should be specially adapted to his future
vocation in life. If a pupil proposes to
be an architect, engineer, doctor, clergy-
man, teacher, accountant, storekeeper,
mechanic, farmer or miner, common
sense would suggest that there are cer-
tain subjects unnecessary, some of
these occupations, although highly nec-
essary to others. Many of the subjects taught
are common to all, and are therefore
of the Western "treasure life" are too
great for pupils to spend many years in
revising some of the methods of teaching
our High school, which, although time-
honored and excellent, are scarcely in ac-
cord with the practical spirit of the age in
which we live.

W. MARCHANT.

AM I A HOG?

To the Editor:—I am a Highlander in one of
his books describes a Highland preacher
blaming his sermon upon "The Sheep and
the Goats" by requesting his audience to
put this solemn question individually to
themselves: "Am I a hog?"

There is a rumor gaining currency in the
city that Mayor Hayward stated, when
contesting the majority of the Board, that
he would be Mayor more than two years.
Statements like these are very often
chickens, come home to roost. Mayor
Hayward has enjoyed three years of office,
during which period the taxation of the
city has advanced with leaps and bounds,
and is an aspirant for a fourth term.
Well, if Mr. Redfern was a hog in two
years, what is Mr. Hayward to be in three
years? Here is a problem in natural
philosophy unsolvable. I am not sure that
such an appeal to the public is a good
idea, but I did not coin it, nor do I wish
to fasten it upon Mr. Hayward, yet rumor
often makes more often false—has
connected it with Mr. Hayward's anti-
election speeches, and I should not like to
rob the worthy Mayor of all the glory at-
tached to the creator of such a sparkling
epigram.

The phrase opens such a vista of specu-
lative inquiry that one gets bewildered by
it. For instance, I wondered: What is the
market price of hogs? Do they cost more
before or after election? What is the most
suitable feed for hogs, James Bay mud or
exhibition accounts? This is a poser:
Should hogs be killed in order to make
them useful for the wants of the citizens?
Please answer quickly.

J. BROWN.

ANOTHER APPEAL.

To the Editor:—I am in full accord with
the sentiments expressed by "Parent" in
his letter to the Times last evening.
We have once more an opportunity of as-
certaining definitely the opinions and in-
tentions of those who are seeking our suf-
frages in regard to the question of gam-
bling, etc., in our city. The last week or
so has emphasized in a very painful man-
ner the urgent necessity for some steps
being taken to eradicate, or at least lessen,
the evil complained of. I cannot help
thinking that there must be a sufficient
number of right-thinking people in Victoria
to command the cessation of this curse.

Why, then, is it not done? Will our
paragons of Victoria, by your cruel indiffer-
ence, surrender your sons as human scri-
mags to the Moloch of Government stamp
duty? Will you remain apathetic when your
young men are, night after night, perishing
in this city, in this human
shambles? Or will you arise in your night
and demand that this thing shall exist no
longer? It requires a vigorous, united and
determined effort, but it can be done. The

To the Electors of North Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate
for alderman for above ward and beg to
solicit your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,
ROBERT DINSDALE.

To the Electors of North Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the solicitation of numerous electors
I offer myself as a candidate for alderman
for the above ward.

Yours respectfully,
THOMAS CATTERALL.

To the Electors of North Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the pressing request of a large num-
ber of ratepayers I have again consented
to stand as a candidate for your suffrages
for the position of Alderman representing
North Ward. I feel I may confidently
count upon your support and influence in
view of my record of six years' consecutive
service as your representative at the
Council Board.

I have the honor to remain, ladies and
gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
JOHN KINSMAN.

To the Electors of North Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of a large number of rate-
payers, I beg to offer myself for re-election
as one of your representatives on the
Alderman Board at the forthcoming
municipal elections, and respectfully solicit
your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,
H. M. GRAHAM.

To the Electors of Centre Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Having been requested by a large num-
ber of electors I offer myself as a candi-
date for alderman for above ward, and
respectfully solicit your vote and in-
fluence.

Yours respectfully,
ALEXANDER STEWART.

To the Electors of Centre Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate
for alderman for above ward and beg to
solicit your vote and influence. Yours
respectfully,
H. L. SALMON.

To the Electors of Centre Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of many ratepayers I offer
myself as a candidate for re-election as
Alderman for above ward, and respectfully
solicit your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,
LAWRENCE GOODACRE.

To the Electors of South Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of many ratepayers I offer
myself as a candidate for re-election as
Alderman for above ward, and respectfully
solicit your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,
W. G. CAMERON.

To the Electors of South Ward.

I beg to announce that I am a candidate
at the ensuing election of Aldermen for the
South Ward.

Yours respectfully,
G. H. BARNARD.

To the Electors of South Ward.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the earnest request of a large num-
ber of electors I have decided to offer
myself for re-election as School Trustee.
I therefore request your vote and in-
fluence on my behalf.

Yours respectfully,
LEWIS HALL.

To the Electors of Victoria City.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the earnest request of a large num-
ber of electors I have decided to offer
myself for re-election as School Trustee.
I therefore request your vote and in-
fluence on my behalf.

Yours respectfully,
LEWIS HALL.

To the Electors of Victoria.

I beg to announce myself as a candidate
for the School Trustee Board at the coming
election, and respectfully solicit your vote
and influence.

Yours respectfully,
ELEANOR R. MCGREGOR.

School Trustees Election.

To the Electors:

I beg respectfully to announce myself as
a candidate for School Trustee honors, and
solicit your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,
ALFRED HUGGETT.

elections are near, the opportunity is pre-
sented. Seize it and free your fair city
from the stigma that Seattle is inhering to
remove. Neglect it and who knows what
home may supply the next victim to this
factory of malefactors.

SPERO MELIORA.

ELEMENTS OF PROSPERITY.

To the Editor:—Thanks for the brief let-
ter of to-day re the gambling and moral
question. Whoever is true man enough to
be outspoken on certain vital questions
will have the hearty support of many a
man who has been worse, body and soul,
for certain places of public resort in the
vicinity of Government street, in addition
to the so-called goody-goody folk.

If the city's prosperity depends upon
maintaining such places and the good will
of their adherents—no true man or woman
will wish prosperity to our fair Victoria.

ANOTHER PARENT.

January 7th, 1903.

UNDER THE BAN (?)

To the Editor:—"A Parent" asks in yes-
terday's Times when the gambling is go-
ing to be stopped. Now, it is evident the
gambling establishments for a period of
two weeks. Who has ordered this to be
done and why was it not done before? If
gambling is illegal and wrong at this season
of the year, was it not so during the re-
maining 50 weeks? Was it not gambling
and other kindred vices that got into
prominent young men into trouble for tak-
ing what did not belong to them, and is it
not gambling and other kindred vices that
is ruining hundreds of young men and
boys in the city of Victoria?

What has our Mayor done during the
past three years in trying to put a stop to

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THE CONQUERING WILL

BY SILAS K. HOOKING.

Author of "God's Outcast," "In Spite of Fate," "To Pay the Price," "For Such is Life," "The Heart of Man," "For Life and Liberty," "A Son of Reuben," etc.

(CHAPTER XXII.—Continued.)

It was nearly Christmas before news of Elizabeth's engagement reached Phil Duncan at St. Moritz. It was Mr. Cleveland who wrote. He had promised Phil to give an eye to things at Lynbrook and report from time to time; but as there was nothing to report, he had not written until the second week in December. The astonishing item of news was in a postscript.

Phil gave a prolonged whistle which made Basil look up suddenly from his breakfast plate with an inquiring glance in his eye.

"It's a letter from Mr. Cleveland," Phil explained, "and it contains a most astonishing piece of news."

"Indeed?"

"Elizabeth is engaged to be married."

Basil dropped his eyes without remark and went on with his breakfast.

"You do not appear to be interested," Phil said, with a smile.

"Why should I be?"

"Oh, well, you know the family, and Elizabeth's is certainly an interesting personality."

"More interesting than admirable."

"From your point of view, no doubt. But you have a reason for disliking her."

"Rather I had a reason; but that piece of history is closed."

"Not necessarily. Circumstances alter cases. Dorothy will be free to follow her own heart."

"My dear fellow," Basil answered, with a pathetic smile, "Dorothy has always been free to follow her own heart."

"No, Basil, in that you are mistaken. Dorothy has been dominated by a stronger will than her own."

"Basil looked up with a smile. 'I have no wish to argue the matter,' he said. 'In any case, we cannot alter the past.'"

"But we need not let the past dominate the future."

"I do not see very clearly how we are to avoid it. The past and future stand related to each other as soil to seed, or trunk to branch; our to-morrows grow out of our yesterdays."

"But what of our to-days? The present is in our grasp. The clay is in our fingers to mould as we will."

"You are thinking of Dorothy?"

"Yes. She gave you up from a mistaken sense of duty. She honestly believed that her sister would die by natural or unnatural means, unless she promised to remain by her side. She was literally terrorized into the course she took; but now that she is once more free, what is to hinder—"

"My dear Phil, you are the best friend I have in the world, and I owe everything to you, even my hope of Heaven."

"No, Basil, don't say that."

"But I do say it, Phil. I did not think to re-open this subject again even with you. For several months, as you know, I have been a sealed book between us. But I am glad the talk has been started, nevertheless. There is one thing I always meant to tell you some time, but I put it off, for I could not do it without re-opening all the past. When I went to Cornwall I meant to take my own life."

"I guessed as much—that is the reason I followed you."

Basil dropped his coffee cup suddenly and stared.

"The conviction came upon me one day at Lynbrook," Phil went on, "and it became so irresistible that I was bound to act upon it."

"But you never told me," Basil said, with a gasp.

"No; in your state of health, to have told you would have defeated the very end I had in view."

"Then you got your own doctor to send me here for my sake?"

"Not so. It was after he had ordered me, abroad that I began to fear about you."

"For a moment there was silence; then Basil said, slowly: 'If you had arrived five minutes later, you would have been too late.'"

"I did not know the margin was so narrow as that," Phil said with a little shudder.

"It seems to me now like a hideous dream," was the reply. "There is no sense of reality about it, no cohesion, no sequence. I was simply weighed down with an unbearable feeling of despair. My one desire was to escape, to throw off the burden, to be at rest."

"But God meant otherwise," Phil said, reverently.

"Ah, Phil, I had no God in those dark days; I had lost the faith of my childhood."

"But God had not lost you. That explains all that has happened since."

"A man without faith is a poor creature, Phil. He is at the mercy of every adverse wind, and when health slips from him he has nothing left."

"He is not conscious of anything left," Phil said, with a smile. "But I reckon we are never forsaken; and in ways that we do not understand things work round in the long run to the right end."

"Yes, I am getting back again to that point myself," Basil answered, with a thoughtful look in his eyes.

"And yet you talked just now as though you believed something totally different."

"Did I? I was not aware of it."

Phil laughed. "My dear fellow," he said, "when I as much as hinted just now that the mistakes of the past might be rectified, you shut me up in a moment."

"Excuse me, Phil, but I fear I don't quite see what you are driving at."

"We were talking about Dorothy Cleveland."

"Yes, go on."

"Well, with Elizabeth out of the way,



TIMES DAILY FASHION HINTS.

For boys of from three to seven years there is nothing so generally satisfactory as the Russian blouse suit, which is a combination of shirts and trousers, and seems to form the connecting link in dress between infancy and boyhood. The suit pictured is made of dark red French flannel. It closes on the right side, and is trimmed with white braid and small white buttons.

she will be able to follow her own heart."

"Exactly. What next?"

"Don't be cynical, Basil."

"My dear fellow, I was never more serious."

"Dorothy Cleveland is one of the sweetest girls on earth."

"I have never said anything to the contrary."

"You loved her once?"

"I did, to my sorrow."

"No, no, Basil. True love is not such a tender plant that it shrivels up and dies under the first frost of disappointment."

"I admit it dies hard, and leaves a terrible desolation in its place."

"It doesn't die at all, Basil, and you know it."

"My dear Phil, you are actually getting dogmatic."

"We have a right to dogmatize on matters of which we are certain."

Basil laughed.

"Oh, I say, old man, is this an argument from experience?"

"If it is, it should be all the more convincing. My point is, there is no reason why you and Dorothy should not come together again."

"There you are mistaken, Phil. There is a very strong reason."

"What is it?"

"The existence of two people."

"Who are they?"

"Dorothy Cleveland and myself."

"Excuse me, but that is mere quibbling."

"Not so. Dorothy gave me up deliberately. She knew what she was about. She had her reasons, one of which you have mentioned. But how do you know that she had not other reasons and stronger? Do you think her sister alone decided her?"

"I do."

"Then excuse me if I say I feel sure you are mistaken. True love is not so lightly thrown away. Doubtless she discovered her mistake."

"Then you honestly think she has ceased to care for you?"

"I do."

"Oh, Basil, I am sure you are doing a grave injustice to one of the sweetest and bravest girls that ever lived."

"I should be sorry to do an injustice to anyone," was the reply, "but I am bound to face the facts, and they seem to be incapable of any other interpretation than the one I have given."

"And the other person?" Phil questioned after a pause.

"Put yourself in my place, Phil, and judge from that standpoint."

"I owe it was rough on you, Basil, but—"

"N o, my friend, this year's sunshine does not destroy the fact of last year's storms. Don't imagine I bear malice or anything of that sort. No, no, the storm is over and the seas are calm again to-day, but the barque that went down in mid-ocean cannot be recovered."

"You are still a fatalist, Basil."

"No, my friend, this year's sunshine again. And don't imagine that I regret the past. The suffering and conflict have made me a better man. The night brings out the stars. All is for the best, of that I am sure. I have found firm footing at last."

"But you will not turn back to the point where you parted company?"

"There can be no turning back, Phil. We must go forward and ever forward. Now, don't look distressed, things are best as they are."

"So the book is closed?"

"Aye, closed and locked. Now let us talk about other things."

Phil did not allude to the matter again. And as the winter wore away he began to wonder if there might be still hope for him. If Basil had ceased to love Dorothy and she no longer cared for him, would it be presumption on his part to seek to win her love?

He was better in health than he had been for a long time, and though he knew he would be always more or less

of an invalid he might live to a fair old age, and if—

But he had no words wherewith to clothe his thought. But in fancy he saw Dorothy presiding over Lynbrook House, a sweet and gracious presence. He felt the genial sunshine of her smile and basked in the splendor of her eyes. For years he had loved her deeply, tenderly, unflatteringly. No other face had ever seemed so fair as hers, no other voice sweeter music in his heart. And yet he had never dared aspire to her hand. It did not seem right to ask her to share the burden and shadow of his feeble health.

And yet if Basil no longer valued the prize, and she was free to be won, why should he not make the attempt to win her?

Basil was busy on a picture which he intended sending to the Academy, and so happy and absorbed was he in his work that he never seemed to think of anything else.

Phil watched the picture growing with infinite delight. All the old cunning, and more, had come back to his friend's fingers—all the old delight in his craft. "It will be a greater picture, Basil, than 'My Lady Bountiful,'" Phil said to him one day.

"I hope so."

"The conception is finer. I like that splendid figure on the lonely peak. Did her face come to you in a dream?"

"In a dream."

"The picture will be talked about. Will you call it 'Dawn on the Alps'?"

"No, I am calling it 'The Angel of the Morning.'"

For awhile there was silence, then Phil said: "And you have decided to go to Venice when you have finished it?"

"Yes, it is such an easy run from here. And I have wanted to go there for years. Will you go along with me?"

"No, I think not," Basil answered, slowly. "I'm rather afraid of Venice. If I move from here I think I shall run back home for a month or two, and his heart throbbed a little faster, for he thought of Dorothy and wondered if he might dare make love to her."

Basil's picture was finished at length and sent off to England.

"Think better of it, Phil, and come with me to Italy," Basil said to him one day, pausing in the midst of his packing.

"I should be only in the way," Phil answered, with a laugh.

"Nonsense, you are never in the way."

"Also," he went on without heeding, "it is too early in the year yet for me to move, and finally, my heart inclines towards home."

"In that case I will not press you," and the following morning Basil started on his journey alone.

(To be continued.)

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SOME PRIZE MONEY FOR THE NAVAL MEN

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Naval men of Esquimaux will be interested in the following extract from the Western News, of Plymouth:

"We announced recently that the admiralty had issued a blue book containing the names of men of the navy and Royal Marines, or their living representatives, who were entitled to a share of several thousands of pounds of unclaimed prize money which has been accumulating at the admiralty ever since the year 1855. We shall be pleased to answer any questions from persons living at a distance if they will enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Amongst other information contained in the blue book, it is stated that the number of ships included in the China operations is 59, and the number of individuals entitled to share in the prize money 2,107. The number of ships entitled under other operations to a share in the prize money is about 330, while the number of individual claimants is 15,614.

"It is stated on good authority that naval chief petty officers are to be granted the extra pension allowance for which they have for many years been agitating. At present the chief petty officers are awarded precisely the same pension as first class petty officers, an inferior grade, and the admiralty have been repeatedly appealed to by parliamentary representatives to grant the chief petty officers an extra pension at the rate of a halfpenny a day for every year served as chief petty officer, but it is only recently that the appeal has been favorably considered. To some of the branches holding this rating the matter is very important, especially to engine room artificers and electricians, all of whom join as chief petty officers. To these men, serving as they do twenty-two years, the concession will make a very appreciable addition to their pension.

The concession, it is stated, will not take effect until April next, provision for increasing the pension vote cannot be made this year. Retired chief petty officers will be naturally anxious to know to what extent, if at all, the order will effect men already on the pension list. The absence of any distinction in the scale of pension has been the cause of thousands of petty officers declining the offer of promotion to chief rate. "Steps are being taken to bring before parliament the case of the late Lieut. T. W. Laard, of Sidmouth, Devon, with a view to obtaining compensation for the granddaughter and her mother. The facts, as supplied to members of parliament, are that as long ago as 1833, Lieut. Thomas Laard, an adjutant in the Royal Artillery, was brought to court-martial in Barbadoes and sentenced to the service. But the charges were found to be unfounded, and later on his sword was returned to him, and his widow was allowed the pension of a widow of a lieutenant. The claim now made, is for twenty years' back pay and all regimental allowances, this being the term during which Lieut. Laard was deprived of his pay and suffered under the unfounded sentence. Lieut. Laard emigrated to Canada, and in 1836-7 volunteered for service in the artillery through the Papineau rebellion."

DREYDOCK QUESTION

Discussed at a Meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade.

At a meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade, on Tuesday night, W. H. Malkin, the president, introduced the drydock question by remarking that he understood that the Imperial government's lease of the Esquimaux drydock had, or was about to expire. New arrangements altogether were, he understood, contemplated, and it was a question for the board to consider whether Vancouver's advantages as a site for a drydock should not be represented.

R. H. Alexander stated that when Vancouver was selected as the terminus of the Canadian Pacific railway the question was discussed as to whether the Imperial government should continue the establishment of an arsenal at Esquimaux, or change the site to near Vancouver, and Bidwell Bay was suggested. He had no doubt that the Imperial authorities knew more about Burrard Inlet than the members of the board did. The value of a large drydock in a port was well known, but on the other hand, a vessel disabled at sea usually made for the nearest port, and it was not likely that vessels would pass Esquimaux and come to Vancouver, involving a longer trip and towage, if docking facilities were available there.

C. Gardiner-Johnson spoke on the question at some length, setting forth the advantages of a floating dock for the port on account of the comparative cheapness of construction. Roughly speaking, it would cost \$750,000, against \$2,000,000 for a drydock of equal size, on the Esquimaux dock principle. It was time Vancouver had a large drydock, and it would mean much to the city as a port. The present Esquimaux dock was not large enough to more than barely take a small second-class cruiser, whereas a floating dock, such as could be built here, would accommodate with equal ease either a ten-ton yacht or the largest man-of-war afloat. As the terminus of the Canadian Pacific railway, possessing a protected harbor, both from the elements and in case of war, Vancouver offered exceptional facilities for a drydock. He would favor the drawing up of some good arguments in Vancouver's favor to be presented to the Imperial government.

C. F. Jackson stated that Vancouver's harbor was more suited for a floating drydock than Esquimaux. In fact, he understood that Esquimaux had not the depth of water necessary for a floating dock. The number of large steamers coming to this port was increasing, and would continue to increase. If fresh ports were opened up for a new railway terminus in the north, the large steamers going to these would also come to Vancouver, and so the shipping would increase. The time, however, to press for the construction of a large dock was

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row. If the matter was delayed it might result in a drydock being built at the ports created by other trans-continental railways, and the need for one here would be largely obviated, and Vancouver would consequently lose its chance to secure a large dock possibly for many years.

Finally the following committee was appointed by the chairman to take the matter up: Messrs. R. H. Alexander, Colin F. Jackson, F. Carter-Cotton, P. J. Burns and C. G. Johnson.

The German ministry of the interior in the budget estimates asks for \$1,000,000 for building dwellings for laborers employed in the government ship-yards at Kiel, Wilhelmshaven and Danzig, and also for housing minor officials in the crowded industrial districts and to be used for loans to building societies, whose membership is exclusively composed of minor public servants. This is a continuation of the policy begun in 1901 with \$500,000, and continued in 1902 with \$1,000,000.

Prof. Robert Koch, the eminent bacteriologist has gone to Rhodesia, where he will study the cattle plague for the British government, receiving compensation of \$250 daily exclusive of his expenses, and has assistance of two high salaried doctors.

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NOTE.—Subscriptions are due and payable from Wednesday, 5th November, 1902, and every Wednesday following, at the Society's office, 15 Truncheon Ave., A. ST. G. FLINT, Secretary.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia application will be made by the Victoria & Esquimaux Telephone Company, Limited, for an Act to amend its Act of Incorporation authorizing the Company, among other things, to increase its capital stock and borrowing powers, and to purchase, lease, take over or otherwise acquire the property, franchises, rights and powers of any other Company having similar objects to the said Company.

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Notice to Creditors.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM JAMES MACAULAY, DECEASED, LATE OF VICTORIA, B. C.

Take notice that, pursuant to the Trustee and Executors Act, all creditors and others having claims against the estate are requested to send by post or deliver to the executor or to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of January, 1903, their claims, the statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and that the said executor will not be bound for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such distribution.

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The Honorable Mr. Justice Irving has, by an order dated the 15th day of December, A. D., 1902, appointed John Samuel Henry Watson, of the Macgregor Block, in the City of Victoria, to be official liquidator of the above named Company.

United the 16th day of December, A. D., 1902.

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SPORTING

INTER-CLUB TOURNAMENT

Arrangements are being made by the James Bay Athletic Association for a club championship basketball tournament. It is possible that teams from the Barracks, Fernwoods and the Firemen will oppose the Blues.

F. Y. M. A. TOURNAMENT.
Efforts are being made to arrange a basketball tournament at the F. Y. M. A. hall on Friday, the 10th.

WRESTLING.

McLEOD CHAMPION.
"Mac" McLeod won the championship of America at catch-as-catch-can wrestling and the \$1,500 end of a \$2,000 purse by getting the better of Tom Jenkins," says a dispatch from Worcester, Mass. "Jenkins had a bad leg, caused by blood poisoning, and the pain caused by the points of a brass buckle entering the flesh of the leg made him quit in the third bout. Jenkins won the first fall by a three-quarter Nelson in 30 minutes, and McLeod got the second in 24 minutes on a crocodile and half Nelson hold. The match was fast from the start, McLeod being on the aggressive almost all the time."

THE TUFF.

The annual meeting of the North Pacific Fair Association was held in Portland yesterday, when dates were selected for the spring and fall meets throughout the circuit. The spring dates are announced as:

Victoria—May 22nd and 23rd.
Vancouver—May 23rd to 25th.
Seattle—June 1st to 3rd.
Grand Forks—July 1st to 3rd.
Vancouver—July 1st and 2nd.
Savert—July 2nd to 4th.
Whitcomb—July 2nd to 4th.
Spokane—July 2nd to 4th.

The fall schedule is as follows:
Seattle—August 1st to 2nd.
Whitcomb—August 3rd to 5th.
Savert—September 7th to 12th.
Salem—September 14th to 19th.
Portland—September 21st to 26th.
North Yakima—September 28th to October 4th.

New Westminster—September 20th to October 2nd.
Vancouver—September 7th, October 3rd to 5th.
Victoria—October 6th to 10th.
The fall season ends September 28th to October 3rd.

Lagrange—October 5th to 10th.
Spokane—October 12th to 17th.
Walla Walla—October 18th to 24th.
Leavenworth—October 21st to 26th.

Apologizing, the King's County Association of Seattle, which was last year expelled for transgressing on Vancouver's dates, was reinstated. The same officers were elected, W. H. Wehrung, of Hillsboro, being chosen president, and Robert Ledgion, of the Vancouver Hockey Club, secretary. Any local association taking others than the dates allotted will either be outlawed or made to pay a heavy fine.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE.
It is probable from present indications that the Capitals will have to play off with Ladysmith for the championship of the province. The first match of this league, contested by the Ladysmith and Cumberland teams at the latter place, resulted in a victory for the Ladysmith eleven by a score of 4 to 1. If the Ladysmith team is capable of defeating Cumberland on their own grounds it is probable that the former team will also win when Cumberland visits Ladysmith in a few days. If this result, the championship of British Columbia will be decided

between the Capitals, of this city, and the Ladysmith team by playing a series of games at Ladysmith and at Victoria. With a final, if necessary, the Ladysmith Leader, referring to the New Year's day game, says:

"The Ladysmith Leader team of Association footballers played the Cumberland and won handsily. In spite of the difference in the number of goals scored by the contending teams the game was well worth watching, and was enjoyed by a crowd of spectators. The score was 4 to 1 in favor of Ladysmith. The football game was short 22 minutes of full time, and this difference will be played off at Ladysmith when the Cumberland team comes down to play Nansaimo team shortly."

COLUMBIAS V. EGORIA.

A match will be played on Saturday afternoon at the Centennial grounds between the Columbia and Egoria football teams, commencing at 3 o'clock promptly. The local team has already made two fruitless efforts this season to defeat the sailors, and have decided to try again. The Columbia team follows: Goal, Marshall; full backs, Shanks and Hughes; half backs, Rutherford, Johnson, Smith; forwards, Berkeley, Wilson, McLean, Hughes and Lawson.

MEETING NEXT WEEK.

There will be a meeting of the Victoria Association Football Club early next week for the purpose of discussing business of importance. Matters in connection with a suggestion of a provincial league will be dealt with. A full attendance is desired.

PING PONG.

CHAMPION DEFEATED.
There was some interesting play in connection with the tournament of the Pacific hotel last evening. Perhaps the game which attracted the most attention was that between J. Leeming and C. Wilson (Victoria's champion), which resulted in a win for Leeming in two straight sets, 6-0, 6-4. There are still some of the final in gentlemen's singles, doubles and mixed doubles to be played. Miss M. Rickaby won the ladies' singles, and Miss M. Rickaby won the ladies' doubles. Miss Atkinson won the consolation prize, which was played for yesterday afternoon.

The complete results of yesterday's play follow:

Gent's Doubles—J. Leeming and F. G. Wilson beat A. Marconini and F. Nixon, 6-0, 6-1; J. Leeming and F. G. Wilson beat H. McLean and A. McDonald, 6-0, 6-1.

Gent's Singles—Dr. J. Hart beat E. Wallace, 6-0, 6-4; L. S. V. York beat L. R. Trimen, 6-0, 6-4; H. Hart beat A. McDonald, 6-0, 6-4; J. Leeming beat C. Child, 6-0, 6-4; J. W. York beat J. Greig, 6-0, 6-4; J. Leeming beat J. W. D. York, 6-0, 6-4; J. Leeming beat C. S. Wilson, 6-0, 6-4.

Ladies' Doubles—Miss Rickaby (over 30) beat Miss Robinson (over 15), 6-0, 6-3; Miss Hilton (over 30) beat Miss Newby, 6-0, 6-4; Miss Rickaby beat Miss Leeming, 6-0, 6-1; Miss Rickaby beat Mrs. Garcesche, 6-0, 6-4; Miss Hilton beat Mrs. Garcesche, 6-0, 6-4; Miss Hilton beat Mrs. Garcesche, 6-0, 6-4.

Ladies' Singles—Miss Hilton beat Mrs. Garcesche, 6-0, 6-4; Mrs. Hilton beat Mrs. Garcesche, 6-0, 6-4; Mrs. Hilton beat Mrs. Garcesche, 6-0, 6-4.

Mixed Doubles—Mr. H. Hart and Mrs. Hilton beat F. F. Haulington and Miss Todd, 6-0, 6-0; Mr. and Miss Rickaby beat L. R. Trimen and Miss Robinson, 6-0, 6-2.

HOCKEY.

MATCH WITH VANCOUVER.
The Vancouver team will meet the Victorians at Oak Bay in the first league match between these clubs on Saturday, the 24th inst. It is probable the hockey club game will be postponed till the 23rd on this account.

BASKETBALL.

WILL NOT COME.
The New Westminster regimental team will be unable to fill its date with the Fifth Regiment in this city on Saturday.

FERNWOODS V. BAYS.

To-morrow evening an intermediate league basketball game is scheduled to be played between the Fernwood and James Bay teams.

FERNWOODS V. VANCOUVER.

The team that will represent the Fernwoods in Vancouver will probably be composed of the following players: W. Peden, R. Polen, P. Marchant, P. Noot, Shobolt and Leiden. The position of the players has not yet been decided upon.

JUNIOR LEAGUE GAME.

A junior league game is scheduled to be played to-night between the Fernwood and Victoria Athletic Club teams at the James Bay V. A. C. team follows: Forwards, W. Douglas and H. Sargison; centre, W. Lost (capt.); guards, I. Ireland and H. Matthews.

CRICKET.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.
Cricket promises to boom in Victoria during the coming summer as has never before been the case here. The energy of the new club recently organized is evident in having the effect of not only interesting Victorians in the game, but in promoting the pastime in neighboring cities. At a social meeting of the local club held some time ago a suggestion was made proposing the formation of a league to include teams of British Columbia, Washington and Oregon, which met with unanimous approval. E. C. Hillman was elected secretary and E. V. Rodwell president temporarily. The clubs which it was desired to interest were communicated with, and as a result there is every reason to believe that next season will see the formation of an international league. Replies have been received from the majority of the clubs, and although the project is everywhere favorably received the general wish is that it be left until spring before any decisive action is taken.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA V. VANCOUVER.
Over forty Victorians will leave for Vancouver to-morrow night for the purpose of participating in and witnessing three struggles between the Victoria and Vancouver aggregations. On the afternoon of Saturday next at Brockton Point the junior and senior Rugby teams of the two cities will meet, while in the evening the local championship basketball players of the Fernwoods will play the strongest team of Vancouver.

Both the Rugby games are expected to be the hardest played in this province this season. The juniors have defeated the Vancouver juniors on every occasion this season, while the Victoria seniors defeated the Vancouver team on the local grounds.

During the last few weeks both the senior and junior teams have been training hard and are in the best of condition. Although the latter will be without three of their best players they are confident of winning. The team follows:

Full back—A. Newcome; three-quarters, Janion, Todd, Ogden, Keefe; halves, Patterson, W. Sweeney; forwards, Jeffs, Miller, Fisher, W. Newcome, Sweeney, J. Keefe, McInnes; substitute, Walker.

The Vancouver junior team follows: Full back, R. Murray; three-quarters, S. Johnston, D. Johnston, M. Johnston, Shoen; halves, W. Sweeney, Yates; forwards, Cummings, Smith, Woodward, M. MacLeod, Ellis, Shearer, Tupper, Brenton.

The tipping system is not encouraged in China. An execution recently took place outside the gates of Taiyuanfu. The decapitated corpse belonged to life to a telegraph messenger. On the occasion of a great festival he asked for tips from some leading merchants who habitually used the telegraph office. The governor of the province heard of it and took prompt steps to suppress the nuisance.

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THE NOBEL ENDOWMENT

Outlined in Provincial Gazette—Appointments Made and Companies Incorporated.

The following appointments have been made by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and appear in this week's issue of the Provincial Gazette: Herbert David Curtis, of the city of Sloan, J. V. to be police magistrate and magistrates under the Small Debt Act, in and for the said city; Noble Blinn, of the city of Trail, to be police magistrate in and for the said city; James Maitland-Douglass, of Duncan, S. M., to be a magistrate under the Small Debt Act, in and for the Cowichan electoral district.

The resignation of W. R. Robertson, of Quamichan, as fence viewer, has been accepted.

The Burrard Inlet Plume & Broom Company gives notice that they have submitted to the Lieut.-Governor in round a proposal under the Rivers and Streams Act for the cleaning and removing of obstructions from the Capilvan river and making it fit for rafting, etc.

Notice of the incorporation of the Vancouver Tourist Association, Limited, appears in the Gazette. It is capitalized at \$100, divided into 10,000 shares.

The Silver Cup Mines, Limited, with a capital of \$300,000, divided into 300,000 shares, is also noted. The company is incorporated to handle the Silver Cup group in Trout Lake division.

The Industrial Mining & Development Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capitalization of \$100,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares. It will operate a group of mines in the Gold mining division.

Courts of Revision and Appeal are announced to hold sittings at New Westminster on January 15th and at Kaslo on January 23rd.

There appears in this issue of the Gazette information relative to the Nobel Foundation, or endowment, which was approved by His Majesty the King of Sweden and Norway in June last.

Briefly it may be stated this endowment or foundation rests upon the will, dated 27th November, 1896, of Dr. Alfred Bernhard Nobel, an engineer and a distinguished philanthropist of Sweden, who directed that the interest upon a certain portion of his fortune, as set forth at length in his will, should be distributed annually, in five equal portions, as prizes to those who, in the course of the year elapsed, should have rendered the greatest service to humanity in the five following ways, respectively:

1. Making the most important discovery or invention in the domain of the physical sciences or nature; 2. Making the most important discovery in chemistry or contributing most to perfect any existing branch thereof; 3. Making the most important discovery in the domain of physiology or of medicine; 4. Producing the literary work most remarkable in exposition or interpretation of the doctrine of idealism; 5. Doing the most for the brotherhood of man in the direction of suppressing or reducing standing armies, as well as for the formation and increase of peace congresses.

The testator, it may be added, was emphatic in willing that in the distribution of these prizes, no account whatever shall be taken of nationality, so that in every instance the prize is to go to the most worthy, whether or not he belong to the Scandinavian kingdoms.

The candidates must be proposed to the Nobel committee of the Norwegian parliament by a qualified person before the 1st February, 1903. Those who are qualified to propose candidates are the members of the Nobel committee of the Norwegian parliament; members of legislative assemblies and of governments of various states; the members of the inter-parliamentary council; the members of the permanent international peace commission; the members and associates of the institute of international law; the professors of law and of political science, history and philosophy in the universities; persons who have received the Nobel peace prize. The Nobel peace prize may be given to an institution or to an association. Pursuant to article 8 of the statute of the Nobel Foundation, every proposition must give reasons, with writings and other documents upon which it is founded. Pursuant to article 3, every writing, to be admitted in the competition, must have been published by means of the press.

For further particulars the persons qualified are requested to apply to the Nobel committee of the Norwegian parliament, No. 4, Victoria Terrace, Kristiania.

TORONTO MINING EXCHANGE.

(Published by the Stuart Robertson Co., Ltd., Mining Brokers, 23 Broad St., Toronto, Jan. 8.—The following were the closing quotations on the Mining Exchange to-day:

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Black Tail	9	7
Canadian G.	8	7
Cariboo McKinney	18 1/2	17
Cariboo Hydraulic	75	70
Centre Star	30	26
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	\$100	\$75
Deer Trail Con.	1 1/4	1 1/4
Fairview Con.	5	3 1/2
Golden Crown	5	3 1/2
Granby Smelter	5 1/2	5
Iron Mask	\$3.00	\$3.50
Lone Pine—Surprise Con.	6	3
Morning Glory	3	1 1/2
Morrison	3	1 1/2
Mountain Lion	20	12 1/2
North Star	10	9
Payne	10	9
Rambler Cariboo Con.	40	30
Republic	40	30
Sullivan	6	3
Virnie	9	6
Waggon Con.	19	17 1/2
White Bear	2 1/2	1 1/2
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Winnipeg	4	3 1/2
St. Eugene	4	3 1/2

Toronto Sales To-Day.

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Cariboo—500 at 6.
Mountain Lion—2,000 at 12 1/2.
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THOS. I. WORTHINGTON.

To the Electors of Central Ward

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Public Meeting

To Take Place in the CITY HALL

ON—

Friday Next the 9th Instant

AT 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

For the purpose of discussing civic matters. All candidates for municipal honors are particularly invited to attend.

CHAS. HAYWARD, Mayor.

Municipal Elections

Meetings in Interest of the Labor Candidates

Will be held at the following dates and places: Odd Fellows' Hall, Spring Ridge, Jan. 6th; Temple's Hall, Jan. 6th; Creamery's Hall, Jan. 6th; South Park school, Jan. 12th; North Ward school, Jan. 12th; Labor Hall, Jan. 14th.

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